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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN EDGEFIELD COUNTY.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 1912.

If a good face is a letter of recommendation, a good heart is a letter of credit.—BULWER.

Don't make more New Year resolutions than you can keep.

Remember that the sweetest joy incident to the Christmas season comes through making others happy.

Leap year is 'most gone and some have failed to improve their opportunities.

Don't blame the mail man when you fail to receive The Advertiser next week.

Those who are in close touch with the governor say he is preparing a very sane and sensible message to the legislature—quite unlike that of last year.

Real estate now changes hands at prices in Edgefield. If the town takes a backward step there will be practically no demand for property here of any kind.

The S. C. C. I. faculty and student body have gone from our midst for the holiday vacation. Suppose they should go to return no more; this would soon be a deserted village such as Goldsmith pictured.

The occupants of an automobile who through reckless driving run over a child in the street or public road and after seeing the bruised and mangled form rush heedlessly on, instead of returning and ministering to the dying child, need to feel heavily the weight of the law. If there is no law for such ruthless and reckless disregard of human life, one should be forthwith provided.

The custom of providing delicacies for the inmates of the County Home, which was originated by Dr. L. R. Gwaltney two decades ago, is a beautiful one, and we believe that it will always be kept up by the ladies of Edgefield. The good women of Johnston are likewise thoughtful and prove themselves to be angels of mercy as they visit the Home at intervals during the year.

Monument to Dr. L. R. Gwaltney.

As shown by a personal letter and a clipping from a Rome paper which are published in this issue, efforts are being made to erect a monument to the lamented Dr. Luther Rice Gwaltney in Rome, Ga. No doubt there are hundreds of men and women throughout Edgefield county, many of them his former pupils, who approve most heartily of the movement to thus honor the memory of this saintly minister and distinguished educator.

The Edgefield friends of Dr. Gwaltney must not be satisfied with merely an expression of approval, however earnest and hearty that may be, but should give tangible manifestation of their sincere and abiding love for him by contributing of their means toward the erection of the proposed monument. Dr. Gwaltney spent the best years of his life laboring among the Edgefield people, and we do not believe they will be satisfied not to have a part in this movement. It is true that there are scores and indeed hundreds of monuments in Edgefield to the beloved Dr. Gwaltney in the form of trees, hedges, buildings, consecrated men and women whose lives were changed and ennobled by vital contact with his Christlike spirit, nevertheless when an effort is being made to erect a shaft to point coming generations to this beautiful life of unselfish service, the people of Edgefield can not afford to do otherwise than respond generously.

The Advertiser will receive donations for this fund and, after publishing the names and amounts contributed, forward to the proper persons in Rome.

Enthusiastic Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting of the citizens of the town was held in the court house Tuesday afternoon to consider the matter of devising means of inducing Col. F. N. K. Bailey to continue to conduct the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute here instead of moving elsewhere. Practically every business interest of the town was represented and with one accord and with great earnestness all spoke in favor of keeping the school here. J. L. Mims was elected chairman of the meeting and L. W. Cheatham secretary. Ex-Gov. J. C. Sheppard, the chairman of the board of trustees of the college property, spoke at length of the needed improvements of the property, of the benefit of the institution to the town and urged that every possible effort be put forth to induce Col. Bailey to remain. Gov. Sheppard made a clear and concise statement of what disposition in the past the board has made of the annual rental, all of it having been used to pay insurance, to pay interest on the money borrowed to complete the building and to make some small credits on the notes in bank. His presentation of the entire matter was open, honest, forceful, effective.

As there has been some misunderstanding concerning Col. Bailey's alleged connection with the graded school and as to the disbursement of the public school funds, the chairman requested Mr. A. E. Padgett, the chairman of the board of trustees of the graded school, to explain the manner of managing the graded school. Mr. Padgett emphatically stated that the board employs the teachers, fixes their salaries and disburses all of the public school funds, not one dollar of which goes into Col. Bailey's pocket or is paid to the S. C. C. I. The special levy of two mills voted 6 or 8 years ago is used to pay teachers in the graded school, and as this fund is inadequate, the board of trustees, of which Mr. Padgett is chairman, is compelled to charge a small fee every two months or make the school term shorter. Mr. Padgett likewise spoke of the advantages of having such a school as Col. Bailey's in Edgefield and urged that it be kept here. Hon. J. Wm. Thurmond spoke with emphasis along the same line.

The meeting was practically without a discordant note. Col. Mayson was among those who addressed the meeting, and he is strongly in favor of maintaining the institution in Edgefield but objects to paying more taxes. A more enthusiastic meeting of the citizens has never been held, showing the deep and abiding interest that our people feel in the splendid institution that has been a leaven to the entire county educationally for the past 15 years.

The meeting accomplished the purpose for which it was called by the enthusiastic adoption of the following resolution which was offered by Gov. Sheppard:

Resolved 1st, That we have heard with sincere regret that propositions have been made to Col. Bailey to remove the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute from our community, and that such propositions have been of so generous a character as to demand his serious consideration.

2nd, That it is the sense of this meeting that Prof. Bailey should decline to accept such propositions, and we wish to extend to him our assurance that we will take prompt and adequate measures to repair and improve the buildings now occupied by him, so as to render them comfortable and suitable for the uses of his institution.

3rd, That a Building Committee be appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Male Academy and the Board of Trustees of the Public Schools acting together, whose duty it shall be to cause an accurate estimate to be made of the repairs and improvements that are necessary to be made to put the Institute building in proper condition for its proper maintenance.

4th, That the Senator and members of the House of Representatives from this county are requested to cause an act to be passed by the Legislature to authorize a levy of taxes to be made upon the property within the corporate limits of the town of Edgefield, to reimburse whoever may advance the money with which to pay for such repairs and improvements, and to discharge the present indebtedness of the Board of Trustees, incurred in the repairs and improvements on and in connection with the Institute.

The building committee as provided in the foregoing resolution will be appointed at once, and the matter of repairing and improving the property will begin as early as weather conditions will permit.

It is believed that Col. Bailey will now reject all offers and decide to remain in Edgefield, which is practically the universal wish of our people.

Current Comment

Permanent Work Pays.

The policy now being pursued by York county of putting in concrete culverts, wherever practicable instead of bridges, is expensive; but nevertheless it has much to recommend it.—Enquirer.

In the matter of building bridges, culverts, etc., permanent work pays in the end. The initial outlay is greater but it is cheaper in the long run. We are glad that Supervisor Wells has done much along this line.

Better to Abstain.

No man who indulges a taste for wine, beer or whiskey will ever amount to much as a real man, wherever he may be or however high he may rise for a time.—Farmers Union Sun.

During the approaching holidays many persons will be tempted to indulge in intoxicating liquors but just as The Sun says in the foregoing lines it will be the part of wisdom to resist the temptation.

CHURCH NOTICES

Christmas Sermon and Music.

The sermon will be specially for children and young folks at the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11:15. There will be Christmas music by the choir. Miss Elizabeth Rainsford will sing. The hymns for the congregation will be appropriate to the season.

Sunday school at 10:15! Every child in the primary room will receive a present.

Prayer meeting Thursday nights at 7:30.

Baptist church services 11:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Pastor M. D. Jeffries will preach at the morning hour on "Some of the realities of religion," evening, "Our attitude toward duty."

Sunday school 10:15 a. m.

Preaching in Trenton 11 a. m. in Presbyterian church Sunday and Johnston at 7:30 by Rev. E. C. Bailey.

Union Meeting.

The union meeting of the third division will convene with the Red Oak Grove Baptist church on December 29-30.

10:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by moderator.

11:00—Enrollment of delegates and verbal reports from churches.

1st Query—Can a man be a Christian who remains indefinitely at variance with his fellowman? E. G. Morgan.

2nd Query—When should a man expose the faults of a fellow Christian and in what spirit? George Doolittle, J. H. Lyon, James Agnew.

2:30—Adjournment for dinner 1½ hours.

3rd Query—To what extent is the company one keeps an index to his Christian character? H. E. Bunch, J. C. Harvley, Luther Timmerman.

4th Query—The secret of a Sunday school teachers' power? J. B. Blackwell, S. T. Adams, W. R. Leggett.

5th Query—What is meant by righteousness as taught in the scriptures? B. D. Kitchings, W. E. Thurmond.

Sunday 10:30 a. m. Sunday school exercises conducted by superintendent of Sunday school.

11:30—Missionary sermon by Rev. J. Earl Freeman.

12:30—Adjourn 1½ hours for dinner.

Afternoon exercises devoted to B. Y. P. U. work, conducted by C. Y. D. Freeland.

John G. McKie,
For committee.

Fine Deer Hunt.

Capt. N. G. Evans has returned from a deer hunt of several days in Beaufort county and on Edging's island with a party of about a dozen friends. Of the ten that were killed three fell at the crack of Capt. Evans' rifle which is the largest number he has ever killed on a single hunt. Those who have been on a deer hunt say there is no sport comparable to it, especially when the party is composed of congenial, jolly good fellows. On this occasion the spirit, life and humor of the party was furnished by a Presbyterian minister of upper Carolina. A pleasing diversion when deer were not being chased consisted of shooting wild ducks. A large portion of the 100 that were killed were predestined to die at the hands of the "parson", as the Presbyterian divine was called by his fellow huntsmen.

Full stock of musical instruments on hand, also full assortment of strings.

Ramsey & Jones.

The Corner Store

This Store is in Full Dress Holiday Attire

Pretty hand made gifts and solid gold trinkets have been added to our dependable line.

A Few Suggestions:

Handkerchiefs
Handbags
Neckwear
Scarfs

Street Gloves
Evening Gloves
Auto Gloves
Silk Hosiery

Lisle Hosiery
Slipper Soles
Slipper Cotton
Slipper Floss

There are good reasons why our Christmas trinkets are attractive. They sparkle with newness and are moderately priced.

Stylish dainty boots, ties and slippers for women and children, (of the better guarantees) mother, father, daughter, son, make Christmas the merrier. There are a few presents that would be received with as much real pleasure as a pair of nice boots, a dainty evening slipper, a comfortable house slipper. You find them here in many styles and colors.

The Corner Store

Fine Assortment of All Styles Wool Gloves

Stamped Linen for Embroidery

All kinds of linen crown work. Beautiful scarfs, and table covers, aviator cuffs and muffs to match. Big cut price on all wool sweaters. All millinery at prices to close.

American lady corset figures to suit all.

Wool blankets, fur top slippers, wool leggings in tan and blacks. Best assortment of all leather shoes in the county.

New shipment of late style felt hats for young men.

Ladies coat suits and cloaks to close out at big reduction

Christmas Novelties

We are ready with every department with suitable articles for parents for Christmas. Beautiful line of ladies neckwear at 25c, 50c, \$1 Ladies new style belts. Fancy German silk ladies pocket books and satchels. Belt pins and fancy buttons. Christmas handkerchiefs for children, ladies and men. Buster Brown hose for children, ladies and men, 4 pair in a box, guaranteed for four months with a whole in them fine for Christmas presents.

Christmas ties for men and boys. Ladies knit gloves for \$1, men's kid gloves \$1, \$1.50, new. Children's rain coats, ladies rain coats.

RIVES BROTHERS

Edgefield,

South Carolina.

CLASSIFIED COLUMN.

FOR SALE:—One hundred thousand frost proof native cabbage plants for sale. F. F. Mosley, Edgefield S. C.
11-27-12.

WANTED—Good farm hands can secure employment by applying to Mrs. M. G. Hammond, North Augusta, S. C.

PHOTOGRAPHS.—See Miss Eliza Mims' specimens of photograph work in Mr. W. A. Hart's windows; children a specialty—studio at residence.

FOR SALE—The Ropers Presbyterian church building and lot. Sold together or separate to highest bidder. Put bid in with W. C. Lynch.

FOR SALE—One Davis Acetylene gas generator. Apply to Dr. J. G. Tompkins, Edgefield, S. C.

FOR SALE.—Two milch cows with young calves. L. R. Brown, Cleora, S. C.

FOR SALE—Lumber cut to any dimensions. Mill located on my farm. Mrs. Lucy Dugas, Edgefield, S. C.
12-11-12.

FOR SALE—A small Victor iron safe practically new. Can be seen at my store. J. H. Reel.
12-11-12.

Trespass Notice.

All persons are hereby notified not to trespass in any manner upon the lands of the undersigned. Those who fail to heed this notice will be prosecuted under the law.

J. E. Johnston,
F. A. Johnston,
T. E. Wood,
W. F. Holston.

12-11-12.